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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Telephone Conversation with [redacted]

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1. [redacted] called this date regarding the following items:

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(a) Spools, aluminum

The supply line visualized requires some 600 additional $9\frac{1}{2}$ " wide spools, 300 with 6-5/8" flanges and 300 with 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " flanges. Eastman has strongly indicated that this additional quantity of spools is necessary. Hycon was given Contracting Officer's approval to procure the additional spools under Contract No. SC-21-54. Request for amendment will be forwarded through [redacted] of Perkin-Elmer, prime contractor. Respective costs are \$7.45 for smaller spools and \$9.95 for the larger spools. 25X1

(b) Contractor Personnel - Second Eschelon

[redacted] stated that [redacted] had no authorization as yet for [redacted] to go with the Second Eschelon. Administration is presently sending orders to [redacted] covering these persons. 25X1
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(c) Hycon needs a minimum of six (eight counting [redacted] table top 9" viewers. Commercial models available are inadequate. If none are available as GFE Hycon can fabricate appropriate units at a cost of \$175 to \$200 per unit. The Development and Procurement Division is attempting to ascertain whether suitable viewers are available as GFE. 25X1

(d) Clearance of [redacted]

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[redacted] was informed that interim clearance to visit the [redacted] had been granted to [redacted] will send appropriate notification to [redacted] who will in turn notify [redacted] is being transferred by the Air Force to March Field and will go on leave. Thereafter he will be employed by Hycon as their senior representative at the [redacted] 25X1
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(e) The three Delph stereo viewers have been procured and are on hand. Cost is \$1198 delivered in Los Angeles via air freight. Allocation from GFE now required only for Site and for PI use in Washington, D. C.

2. [] stated that shear pin fatigue failure on the modified IMC has been remedied and that the modified IMC should correct the bulkhead breathing problem.

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3. The 70 MM film has been dense due to aperture opening problems. [] stated that a yellow filter now being used in lieu of the red filter should correct this problem. The 70 MM processor and printer is in place and developed 70 MM film should start flowing to us by the end of the week.)

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Data on Gardner Sent to Justice

By Ruth Montgomery
International News Service

The Senate Investigations Committee said Gardner testified that he severed all connections with Hycon before being sworn in March 1, 1955. Previously he had served for two years as special assistant to the Secretary of Air.



Gardner

Gardner returned this week to his former firm, Hycon Manufacturing Co. of Pasadena, Calif., as chairman of the board.

The company, which Gardner served as president until joining the Defense Department in 1953, has large contracts with the Government and is engaged in the production of guided missiles, electronic and ordnance equipment.

Senate investigators had been investigating Gardner for some time before his surprise resignation. The probe centered around the possibility that Gardner might have had a conflict of interests. Investigators sought to determine whether he had actually severed all connections with Hycon, which was doing business with the Defense Department.

A Senate member of the Com-

Gardner is expected to be a star witness during the current Senate investigation of our missiles program. He probably will not be called until early next month.

A member of the Senate Investigating Committee said his group has "not lost our interest" in the Gardner case, but would probably not resume its investigation until the Justice Department determined whether any further action is warranted.